Quotations received from firms for supply of articles.

315. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state for the years 1100 to 1104 the names of the respectable firms from whom quotations were received for (i) cement, (ii) iron and (iii) girders referred to in the answer to question No. 120 of the Legislative Session of 1105 and what were their rates and the names of firms whose rates were accepted ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It is not possible to furnish the information as these articles were purchased on a large number of occasions. If specific works are mentioned, then the information required can be furnished.

Leper Asylum building at Adur.

316. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) (i) how far the construction of the buildings at Adur for the Leper Asylum has progressed and how much money was spent hitherto on it and what are the main items of expenditure hitherto incurred with the amounts for each item ;

(ii) what are the works to be completed and what are the amounts of estimates for the same ;

(iii) what are the rough estimates of the future annual recurring expenditure for the Asylum ;

(b) what is the annual recurring expenditure on account of the Venduruthi Leper Asylum for each of the last 3 years, 1102 to 1104, and what are the main items of expenditure together with the details on each item ;

(c) (i) who was the person who brought to the Government the proposal to hand over the management of the Leper Asylum to the Salvation Army ; will a copy of that paper containing the proposal be placed on the Table of the House ;

(ii) what was the report of the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer about this matter ; will a copy of the same be placed on the Table ;

(iii) what are the final orders of the Government in the matter ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) (i) The following works are already completed:—15 blocks for the residence of the lepers, Dispensary, Medical Officer's quarters, male menials' quarters, female menials' quarters, latrines for the lepers and the road leading from the main road to the settlement. The total cost incurred on these works is Rs. 56,565. A list of the main items of expenditure with the amounts for each item is appended. (*Vide Appendix II.*)

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